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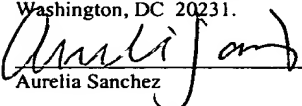
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**UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL (37 CFR. § 1.53(b))**

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Sir: This is a request for filing a patent application under 37 CFR. § 1.53(b) in the name of inventors:  
**HIROSHI MINAGAWA and YOSHINORI TSUCHIDA**

For: **METHODS AND APPARATUS FOR SHADING OBJECT DRAWINGS IN VIDEO GAMES**

Assigned to: Square Co., Ltd.

**Application Elements:**

- ☒ 65 Pages of Specification, Claims and Abstract  
☒ 21 Sheets of formal Drawings  
☐ Pages Combined Declaration and Power of Attorney

**Accompanying Application Parts:**

- ☐ Do not publish this application. Nonpublication Request is attached.  
☐ Assignment and Assignment Recordation Cover Sheet (recording fee of \$40.00 enclosed)  
☐ 37 CFR 3.73(b) Statement by Assignee  
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**Claim For Foreign Priority**



Priority of Japanese Application No. P1999-375164 filed on December 28, 1999 is claimed under 35 U.S.C. § 119.



The certified copy has been filed in prior application U.S. Application No.



The certified copy will follow.

**General Authorization for Petition for Extension of Time (37 CFR §1.136)**



Applicants hereby make and generally authorize any Petitions for Extensions of Time as may be needed for any subsequent filings. The Commissioner is also authorized to charge any extension fees under 37 CFR §1.17 as may be needed to Deposit Account No. 500388 (Order No. SIP1P044).



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